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first banking enterprise in the county, and in 1873, when the bank was re-organized and incorporated as a state bank, he was made president and held the position until his death. Captain Ingham was always interested in the cause of education and was one of the promoters of the Algona College and the Northern Iowa Normal School. He was a close student and a mathematician of high ability. He was on a visit to the West when his death occurred. His remains were interred at Algona, August 3, 1914.

FREDERICK WELKER was born in Melle, Province of Hanover, Germany, April 19, 1834; he died at Muscatine, Iowa, July 14, 1914. At two years of age he emigrated with his parents to the United States. The family settled on a farm in St. Charles county, Missouri, where his boyhood was spent. In 1852 he removed to St. Louis and engaged in business. At the outbreak of the Civil war he enlisted as private in Company G, First Regiment Missouri Volunteer Infantry, and at President Lincoln's call for 300,000 volunteers, re-enlisted as First Lieutenant of the same company. In September, 1861, he was promoted to the Captaincy of Company H, First Regiment Light Artillery Missouri Volunteers, and soon thereafter to Major. He participated in a number of the most important engagements of the war and won renown at the battle of Shiloh, in the siege of Corinth and in the Atlantic campaign. On March 13, 1865, he was commissioned Lieutenant Colonel and Colonel. At the close of the war he settled in Mount Vernon, Ohio, remaining there until 1871, when he removed to Muscatine, Iowa, where he was in business for sixteen years. From 1887 to 1899 he was in the commission business at San Francisco, from 1899 to 1902 resided in Vancouver, B. C., and from 1902 to 1908 in Montreal. In 1908 he retired from business and returned to Muscatine to spend his remaining days. For many years he was presiding officer of the Colonel Welker Veteran Association which embraced the surviving membership of the Old Muscatine Rifles. Under his command the organization attained national prominence, being one of the best drilled military bodies in the country.

MRS. BERNHARDINE (LORENZ) WACHSMUTH was born in Hanover, Germany, November 20, 1837; she died at Burlington, Iowa, January 19, 1914. She removed to America when a young girl and located in Burlington, where she was married on June 3, 1855, to Charles Wachsmuth, who was then engaged in the grocery business. The condition of his health making it necessary for him to be out of doors, Mr. Wachsmuth took up the study and collecting of fossils, and in this he was ably assisted by Mrs. Wachsmuth. They frequented the quarries, bluffs and creek beds around Burlington, and the collection soon grew to such proportions as to attract the at-

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